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Hongkong, 4th February, 1893. [192]

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Hongkong, 24th May, 1893. [8]

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AMONG THE MANY ADVANTAGES of this form of Assurance, the following may be mentioned :—

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Hongkong, 8th August, 1893. [1747]

NOTICE.

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The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT-RATES on GOODS &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSSEUNG FAU, Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE.

No. 2, Queen's Road West, Hongkong, 1st September, 1893. [1893]

GENERAL NOTICE.

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EQUAL TO \$816,000.00

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HEAD OFFICE, 5 & 6, PRAYA WEST.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1893. [1974]

Intimations.

NOTICE.

DURING my temporary absence from the Colony, Mr. WILLIAM PENDER MACLEAN, who holds my Power of Attorney, will conduct the business of THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

R. FRASER-SMITH,
Editor and Proprietor.
Hongkong, 26th October, 1893.

NOTICE.

FROM the 1st of November next, the SHANGHAI BUTCHERY will be prepared to Supply BROWN, LARD in BLADDERS, FRESH and PICKLED ENGLISH PORK, SAUSAGES, &c., &c.

ALSO,
BEEF in JOINTS and CORNED, BLACK PUDDINGS, PORK and GAME PIES.
S. R. GALE,
Shanghai, 13th October, 1893. [1160]

NOTICE.

ON and after the 1st December next,
NO CHITS will be taken in the following Hotels,
"THE VICTORIA HOTEL."
"THE PEAK HOTEL."
"THE KOWLOON HOTEL."

DORABEE NOWROOZEE,
Proprietor.
Hongkong, 26th October, 1893. [1162]

HONGKONG HOTEL.

Intimations.

THE

HONGKONG HOTEL.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "Kremia"—A. B. C. Code.—TELEPHONE, No. 32.

PROPRIETORS..... THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL—the most commodious and best appointed Hotel in the Far East, affords unequalled accommodation to travellers and others. It is situated in the centre of the town, opposite the General Post Office and the Hongkong Club, adjacent to Pedder's What (the principal landing stage of the Colony) and in close proximity to the Banks and Shipping Offices. The HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH conveys passengers and baggage to and from all Mail Steamers. THE TABLE D'HOTE, at separate tables, is supplied with every delicacy, the service being under experienced supervision. THE BED-ROOMS, with adjoining Bath-rooms, are lofty and well ventilated, open on to spacious Verandas, are lighted by gas and fitted throughout with electric communication. The Reading, Writing and Smoking Rooms, Ladies' Drawing Rooms, the new, Bar and public BILLIARD ROOMS (Six English and American Tables) are fitted with every convenience. A handsomely appointed GRILL ROOM, where chops, steaks, &c., are served at any hour adjoins the HOTEL, and is under the same Management. THE WINES & SPIRITS are selected by an Expert and the BEST BRANDS only are supplied. HYDRAULIC ASCENDING-ROOMS of the latest and most approved type convey passengers and baggage from the Entrance Hall to each of the five floors above. NIGHT PORTERS and WATCHMEN are continually on duty.

R. TUCKER
Manager.
Hongkong, 12th February, 1893. [1163]

SHOOTING SEASON 1893!

FOWLING PIECES IN CASES WITH IMPLEMENTS.
MARTINI-HENRY MATCH RIFLES, WINCHESTER CARBINES, COLTS' "LIGHTNING" CARBINES, REVOLVERS.

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METAL-COVERED, GREEN, BLUE AND BROWN.
CARTRIDGES LOADED with (E.C.) or "ALLIANCE" GUNPOWDER.

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WADS, CAPS, LOADING MACHINES, RE-CAPPERS, CARTRIDGE BELTS AND BAGS
GUN CLEANERS, &c., &c.

LANE CRAWFORD & CO.
Hongkong, 9th August, 1893. [1157]

W. BREWER.

JUST RECEIVED
A NEW STOCK of GENTLEMEN'S BOOTS and SHOES in BROWN RUSSIAN and MOROCCO LEATHER.

LADIES' WALKING SHOES in MOROCCO LEATHER.
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NEW STOCK BRAIR PIPES, TOBACCO POUCHES, &c.
SPLENDID STOCK of ENGRAVINGS, PHOTOGRAPHS and other PICTURES.

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Hongkong, 26th August, 1893. [1159]

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THIS long established SELECT Family Hotel, situated on the Bund, facing the river, in the centre of the Settlements, has lately undergone extensive alterations, and is now fitted with the latest modern improvements, including Bath and Dressing Rooms ATTACHED to Suites and Single Rooms, with hot and cold water laid on, DOUCHE, SHOWER SPRAY, &c., and heated to a comfortable temperature during winter.

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PAGODABRAND :—A full-flavoured Tobacco.

In 1lb Tins \$0.50
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Friend, Cottee's Rosedale, Ogden's Silver Veil, Wills' Golden Flake Honey Dew.

CIGARETTES.

Sweet Capriles, Full Bites, Straight Cuts, Ogden's Yellow Plush, Wills' Three Castles.

Kinney's Straight Cuts, Otto de Rose, Wills' Fifth.

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED.

Hongkong, 23rd October, 1893. [1150]

W. POWELL & CO.,

ARE NOW LANDING PER S.S. "RADNORSHIRE"

FURTHER SHIPMENTS

OF

NEW GOODS.

LADIES', GENTLEMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S

FELT HATS,

W. POWELL & CO.

Hongkong, 21st October, 1893. [1149]

Intimations.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THE SHORT RANGE CUP AND SPOON
will be shot for TO-MORROW, the 28th Inst.—Ranges, 500 and 600 yards. Time, 3 P.M.
A. MANN,
Ass't Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 25th October 1893. [1150]

THE IMPERIAL CHINESE TELEGRAPH ADMINISTRATION.

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O N and after the 26th October the rate per word for TELEGRAMS from HONG-KONG to SWATOW, AMOY, FOOCHEW and SHANGHAI will be reduced to (30 c.) Twenty Cents.

Rate per word for Messages to Stations in JAPAN is (\$1.20) One Dollar and Twenty-eight Cents.

To avoid errors during Transmission all Telegrams passing over the Administration's lines are repeated.</p

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1893.

Intimations.

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VICTORIA DISPENSARY, HONGKONG.

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LIQUEUR WHISKY (SQUARE BOTTLE).
THIS is one of the finest Whiskies ever imported into China. With Aerated Water, or Hot Water and Sugar, it is simply delicious.—\$12 per case.

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OLD TOM.—A very fine Sweetened Gin, Bottled expressly for us.—\$5 per dozen.

KEY BRAND.—In small White Glass Bottles. The very finest procurable.—\$3 per dozen.

CHARTREUSE, CURACOA, D.O.M., &c.

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Hongkong, 25th October, 1893.

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A high class Fertiliser for Pot Plants and for use in the Garden generally; it supplies natural nourishment to the soil and assists the process of assimilation, thereby aiding the plants to attain to their full size, vigour, and beauty.

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The best and cheapest machines in the market. Kept in stock and supplied at Manufacturer's prices.

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This work is alike interesting to the student of botany and to the practical gardener, and comprises a large number of plants which for the convenience of reference are arranged in separate groups and are headed with their ordinary and botanical names.

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The Hongkong Dispensary,
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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH Office.

Paddo's Hill,

Hongkong, 20th January, 1893.

TO SUBSCRIBERS.

SUBSCRIBERS TO "THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" ARE MOST RESPECTFULLY REMINDED THAT ALL SUBSCRIPTIONS MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE.

BIRTH.

... Chefoo, on the 21st instant, the wife of W. G. Lay, I.M. Customs, of a son.

DEATH.

At Rubbling Wall Cemetery, Shanghai, on the 20th of October, 1893, CHARLES EMILE GUINAND, a native of La Chaux-de-Fonds, Switzerland, aged 30 years.

OUR contemporaries in the neighbouring French colonies publish long telegrams full of fearful news about the Russian visitors in Tonkin and Paris. They say nothing about the loan which the Emperor was said to have in view, as soon as the lively Gauls should become sufficiently enthusiastic!

It is the eater of the early apple that catches the worm.

DAWSON's is a highly-matured whisky of exceptionally fine flavor.

DURING the last four years no addition of no less than a thousand acres has been made to the London parks. The City Council now possesses four parks, thirty open spaces and twenty gardens, the annual cost of maintenance of which is £12,922.

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To steam from Callao to Victoria, B.C., a distance of over 3,000 miles in 22 days without stopping to coals, is afeat credited to the British cruiser *Malvern*. The performance is said by Naval Officers to have been seldom equalled and never surpassed in naval history. The *Malvern* is a 17th class twin-screw cruiser of 3,550 tons and 5,500 indicated horse-power.

WITH reference to the recent typhoon in Japanese waters:—A Shanghai paper learns that the steamer *Yokohama Maru* had to anchor for two days in the Island Sea, and when she arrived at Shimone and Nagasaki respectively, found both harbours full of wreckage, a very large number of junks having been stranded and smashed, and much damage done sun without inconvenience to the inmates.

ACCORDING to the *Scientific American* the aluminium house at the Chicago World's Fair is setting people talking once more about the future uses of that wonderful metal. The Chicago house is an object lesson. Its material is so light and tough that it can be moved with ease and without danger of fracture. It does not absorb heat, and can be exposed to the hottest sun without inconvenience to the inmates.

WE learn from Shanghai that his Excellency Kung Chao-yuan, Provincial Treasurer of Szechuan and Minister-elect to Great Britain and France, who has been keeping very quiet owing to indisposition ever since his arrival in that port some three weeks ago from the Yangtze River, paid a farewell visit to the local mandarins in the city on Sunday last, preparatory to a speedy departure for audience at Peking.

TELEPHONEMETER is the new word invented for an instrument intended to register the time of each conversation at the telephone, from the moment of ringing up the exchange to the ringing-off signal. Such a system would reduce rentals of telephones to a scale according to the service, instead of a fixed charge to a business firm or occasional user alike. However, telephonic business has not yet locally developed to an extent requiring the introduction of telephonemeters.

A SCRATCH four-mile race will be rowed over the regatta course to-morrow under the auspices of the Victoria Recreation Club. A steam launch for members will leave Murray pier at 4.30 p.m.

An Imperial decree issued from Peking on the 18th inst. appoints Te Sheng to be *Yush Hukuan*, or Superintendent of Customs at Canton, *old Lien Sheng*; whose term expires this autumn.

The Brazilian mission to China, of which Baron do Laddo is the head, is at present "resting" in Shanghai, awaiting instructions from home. In the light of recent events, "home" is decidedly good.

IT will not be long, apparently, before the Northbound ports are closed for the season. Already, according to the telegrams received by the Hongkong Observatory to-day, the thermometer at Vladivostok has got down to 39, a drop of four points since yesterday.

A NAVAL Court of Inquiry is, we believe, to be held on Monday next on the *Victor Emmanuel*, to investigate as to a recent grounding of H.M.S. *Peacock* a little way out of Hongkong. There is also to be a court-martial as to the fatal shooting accident on the *Pigmy* some weeks ago.

A CORRESPONDENT of the *Avantur du Toekin*, in making a comparison between the coaling stations of England and France (which in itself is absurd) states that Cardiff coal costs 63 francs a ton in Hongkong, while Tonkin coal costs only 5 francs—say \$1.70 as against \$1.70. This is news!

OUR Shanghai morning contemporary is in receipt of a cable from Tientsin stating that the Viceroy Li is adhering to a joint despatch from the Grand Council and the Tungli Yamé has telegraphed to B-tili ordering the Chinese Minister there to send his Chief Secretary of Legation to St. Petersburg to act as "Charged" Affairs there. This step has probably taken in order to have a representative on the spot to talk over the Panpishe question with the Russian authorities.

At the Magistracy to-day, before Mr. Woodhouse, a hostwoman and a Taoist priest, charged with making a false report to the Registrar of Births and Deaths, were committed for trial. The evidence showed that a child was born on a boat in the harbour on the 18th September, but no report was made; on the 26th the child died, and the two defendants went to Yau-tai police station for a burial permit. They then informed Inspector Hanson, district registrar, that the child was born in Canton.

A BLUEPRINT of the Dernier type seems to have been unearthed in Amsterdam. Already a few well-muddled and charged against him, but it is suspected he has had many other surgical and lethal ceremonies in Holland and England.

There is no accounting for this type of monster save on the theory of disease. The perpetrators are *delirious* of the "unreasonable homicidal clause" portrayed by Zola, but it would be a crime against society to conclude that they are insane enough not to be responsible for their actions.

Decimus showed a perfect comprehension of the case against him, and yet had been set loose on society the ravenous imps who had world wide likely have driven him into other betrayals and assassinations. Psychology has to employ resources in accounting for these demons.

In the fight of Buenos Ayres on the 26th ultimo between some rebel torpedo-boats and vessels of the royal fleet, the former were beaten off and captured without injury to the cruisers. This, in the opinion of the *Fraser Bulletin*, points to the fact that the question of torpedo-boats versus ship-hunting is still hanging in the balance, with the chances favoring the latter. The successful attack of the torpedo-boats on the Chilean ironclad *Blanco Encalada* was made at night and the *Blanco* was unprepared. These South American instances also lack conclusiveness, from the fact that as a rule those people are not to the European and American mark in the handling of their ships and guns. We may be on building battle-ships and torpedo-boats, taking the changes that both have their place in a naval armament, and that we cannot afford to do without either. We have got two torpedo-boats with a third building. European nations have got to be strong and powerful, open shipping would have given way to insularity.

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH Office, Paddo's Hill, Hongkong, 20th January, 1893.

DAWSON's Perfection Old Scotch Whisky recommends itself as the most wholesome beverage in the market.

M. CHAVASTROU, of Torkin P.W.D., brother of the Resident, while visiting Lyons on leave recently fell off a high balcony by accident and broke his skull. Death was instantaneous.

THUS the *N. C. Daily News*:—There has been some uncertainty as to the personality of the "Sport of Kings" is being followed more eagerly than ever by its devotees in the North, and given fine weather the forthcoming promises to be a meeting of meetings. But what has come over that "dark" Levy-favourite which only a few weeks since was looked upon as being a "Peach" beyond price and in whose doings Hongkong is deeply interested? If Shanghai opinion can be regarded as being worth anything, the winner of Hongkong's last Derby, Chinnings and more, would surely be seen playing lawn-tennis with as much gait and spirit as they would go through the cutlass exercise. This arises through the gentlemen of the indoor Customs staff having placed their garden and compound—the largest in the place—at their disposal; together with bats, balls and net. The bats are already thoroughly "at home" at the game, and will dispute a "line" or an "up" as keenly as a champion. But where isn't Jack at home? The School Board certainly improves without spoiling them; if they can die like Victoria's and delight in lawn-tennis as keenly as the Earl's it's to be hoped that this thoughtful gentleman's kindness will be copied in places where it could be done with less sacrifice and inconvenience than it will cost him. It's certainly an example worth copying. At present the sailors promise to be as well behaved as their predecessors, but monotony will grow with time and we shall see how they will stand the test.

The CRITERION STAKES.—Mr. Sasoon's stable, \$100; Mr. John Peel's 30; Mr. Josser's 20; Mr. Helmich's 20; Mr. Trebas' 20; Mr. Uto's 10—Total \$435.

The MASTEN STAKES.—Mr. Ring's stable, \$50; Mr. Trebas' 30; Mr. Sasoon's 25; Mr. de Naut's 25; Mr. Uto's 20; Mr. John Peel's 15; Mr. Mustard's 15; Mr. Toog's 10; Mr. John Gilpin's 5—Total \$99.

The SYCE STAKES.—Mr. Ring's stable, \$15; Mr. Sasoon's 35; Mr. Mustard's 25; Mr. Toog's 15; Mr. John Peel's 20; Mr. Uto's 15; Mr. Trebas' 8—Total \$471.

The SHAMPOO STAKES.—Mr. Ring's stable, \$50; Mr. Mustard's 25; Mr. John Peel's 25; Mr. de Naut's 25; Mr. Robson's 20; Mr. Gustav's 15; Mr. Sasoon's 8—Total \$458.

The SHANGHAI LUGER.—Mr. Sasoon's stable, \$15; Mr. Trebas' 15; Mr. Ring's 10; Mr. Uto's 10; Mr. John Peel's 10; Mr. Helmich's 25; Mr. Josser's 20; Mr. Cheuse's 10; Mr. Dennis' 30; Mr. Kanck's 9—Total \$1,242.

The CHAMPIONS.—Mr. Sasoon's stable, \$100; Mr. Mustard's 50; Mr. John Peel's 35; Mr. Helmich's 25; Mr. Robson's 20; Mr. Gustav's 15; Mr. de Naut's 8; Mr. Uto's 7; Mr. Trebas' 5—Total \$836.

THE STAFFORD STAKES.—Mr. Ring's stable, \$15;

THE AUTUMN ASIATES.—JUDICIAL PROCEDURE.

The time for the so-called Autumn Asiatic or *Ts'u Shing* being now near at hand at Peking, the officers of the Board of Punishments have been busy making up the list of condemned criminals that have been sent up to them for trial and sentence by the metropolitan and provincial administrations during the present year. This is for the purpose of presenting the various cases to the notice of the Throne, at the same time asking it to appoint an Imperial Commission to confirm the sentences that have been passed by that Board. What is known then is that the *Ts'u Shing* is really what may be properly called an Imperial Confirmatory Commission, and not as has been frequently translated the "Autumn Asiatic" which in the English sense of the term means an entirely different thing. With that desire for the dispensation of perfect justice which marks every statute in China—leaving aside the question of application which sometimes obtains among the interpreters of the law—the aim of the above-named Imperial Confirmatory Commission is to allow crimes which have been condemned by the Board of Punishments the chance of a last appeal against what they may think an unjust sentence. Whatever may be sold to the contrary, it has at least a beneficial effect on the dispensers of the law in the huge rambling building called the Board of Punishments. The Imperial Commissioners appointed this year by the Throne consist of a Grand and an Assistant Grand Secretary, their Excellencies Chang Chih-wan and Lin Shu, President and Vice-President of the Commission, and six others.

MESSRS. BARDIN & CO., HAVE HANDED OVER THE NEW YORK LIFE AND IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE AGENCIES TO MESSRS. BUTTERFIELD AND SWINE, MR. DRYCE, OF MESSRS. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., HAS BEEN APPRENTICED TO THE BOARD OF PUNISHMENTS, THE CHAMBER BELONGING TO THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, SPECIALLY DEVOTED TO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF PUNISHMENTS WHO HAVE BUSINESS TO REPORT TO THE THrone, AND ALSO SET UP A ROW OF TABLES PLACED ON THE RIGHT AND LEFT HAND SIDES OF THE CHAMBER, THE CENTER OF THE ROOM BEING DEVOTED TO A DRAGON-BEDIZENED TABLE CONTAINING THE NAME OF THE EMPEROR "OF A MYRIAD AGES."

THE

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1893.

THE STEAMBOAT INSPECTION SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES.

afford to stand by and make their comments with hands in pockets or sleeves according as these worthies are of foreign or native descent. A private despatch from the Chihli Viceroy to a Grand Secretary at the capitol, it is reported to have advised that a high military official, supposed to be General Nich, commander of the troops outside the Great Wall, will be sent to inspect the boundary line between the Chinese and Russian possessions on the Amour and Usuri rivers. This is said to be the ostensible object of the gallant officer, but he has been ordered to use his eyes and ears when he gets into Russian territory, and on his return to Tientsin he will be expected to give a succinct account of his adventures with perhaps a remark or two on the apparent difference in the strength of the forces of the two countries in that portion of the world. If this be true, then it is to be hoped that the government will take immediate cognizance of this officer's suggestions, for he is a man of ability and without having had considerable experience in matters military, having served through a good part of the Mahomedan and other rebellions.—*N. C. Daily News.*

THE ORIGIN OF SLEEP.

If the sun always shone, we should never go to bed; sleep would not have been developed. It is true, nocturnal animals sleep and wake just as much as diurnal ones; and a drowsy owl, blinking and nodding in the garish light of day-time, is a familiar object for the upholstered contempt of the young, the gay, the giddy, and the thoughtless. But then, all such animals are themselves descendants of creatures which were once, for many ages, diurnal; they learnt the trick of alternate sleeping and waking, while their ancestors were still well-behaved day-roaming creatures; and when like Tom and Jerry, they took inadvertently to the vicious practice of "turning night into day," they merely reversed the usual process long since become organic, and slept through the hours when the rest of the world was alive and walking. The hand itself, viewed abstractly, is one which could never have arisen except for the regular alternation of light and darkness. There is no particular reason why we or any other animal should rest on an average about eight or nine hours out of every twenty-four (to accept the computation of a justly popular poet without further discussion), save for the fact that eight hours is about the average time during which there isn't light enough for an ordinary animal to get about with comfort at its usual avocations. If there are animals at all analogous to our own in Mars or Venus, we would naturally expect them to sleep and wake alternately for a period which would be entirely determined by the duration of day and night in their own planet. Observe, too, that this most fundamental distinction, due to day and night, is wholly relative to the sense of sight, and can affect only those types of life which are sufficiently high to have evolved for themselves eyes or something like them. Plants, it is true, are also dependent for their growth upon the chemical action of rays of sunlight that fall upon their surface, have an equally wide distinction of day-functions and night functions, with the highest animals; they eat and digest in the light, and grow or repair themselves through the hours of darkness. Hence the lowest animals have no such marked division of nocturnal and diurnal habits; with ceaseless industry they roll about through the water by day and night alike seeking by touch alone whom or what they may devour in their native medium. If they rest occasionally for digestion and repair, it is at irregular periods—sometimes for a few minutes, sometimes for hours, or even days together. If you dry them up, they remain mummified for a year; if you moisten them once more, they start at once on their travels. In one word, they have no distinct periodicity of any sort. But as soon as eyes are evolved, and in proportion to the reflection and height of their development, animals begin to divide their lives markedly into two main portions—a walking and a sleeping one; a more and a less active. While light is supplied, they abundantly go to sleep in search of food, or play, or mate, or laying-places; the moment it is gone, they retire to nests or lairs to become torpid and motionless.—*Cornhill Magazine.*

GIANTS OF OLD.

Phenomenally big men and women have occasionally appeared in various parts of the earth, and several nations possess traditions of gigantic people having at some time inhabited their lands. The American continent seems to have been the place where big men abounded, for there are found many remains of human beings much larger than any of its present inhabitants. At Chancal, thirty miles north of Lima, Peru, very large human skulls were dug up only a few years ago by Dr. Le Plongeon. Others have been unearthed on the island of Puna, in the Gulf of Guayaquil, at the entrance of the Guayaquil River.

A Jesuit father named Anilio Oliva wrote an ancient history of Paza. Oliva says that Puna, as well as the opposite coast, was formerly peopled by giants who had come from Central America. In the work of Zarate we read that they were as bad as they were big, so that they became a terror to all the other inhabitants. These tall fellows had their strongholds, particularly at the Island of Puna and at Potosi Santa Elena, Guayaquil. Some of their works can yet be seen in those places in the shape of immense stone and adobe walls, and more especially in the great wells which they dug and supplied themselves with water. In the north part of Mexico a few years ago human remains were unearthed from well-made stone tombs. The skeletons were nearly nine feet long. In Southern Mexico the Yucatan peninsula seems to have been at one time a favorite residence of a race of people about nine feet high.

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LATEST QUOTATIONS.
 Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—100 per cent., prem., sales and sellers.
 The National Bank of China, Ltd.—on £8,000, paid up—40 per cent., div., sellers.
 The National Bank of China, Ltd.—Founders shares, \$100 per share, sellers.
 The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—nominal.
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 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B—3½ per cent., premium, sellers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C—2 per cent., premium, buyers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 E—14 per cent., premium.
 Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$86 per share, rx. div., sales and buyers.
 China Traders' Insurance Company—\$35 per share, buyers.
 North China Insurance—Tls. 115 per share, buyers.
 Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$117 per share, ex. div., buyers.
 Yangtze Insurance Association—\$60, sellers.
 On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 15 per share.
 Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$192 per share, sellers.
 China Fire Insurance Company—\$78 per share, sales and buyers.
 Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$26 per share, sales and buyers.
 China and Manila Steam Ship Company—\$33 per share, sellers.
 Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—6½ per cent. discount, sales and buyers.
 Douglas Steamship Company—\$37, buyers.
 The Steam Launch Co., Limited—\$20 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—72 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited—\$15 per share, sales and buyers.
 Hongkong Hotel Company—\$16 per share, sales and sellers.
 Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per cent. Debentures—\$50.
 The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Company, Limited—\$4 per share, sellers.
 The Shamen Hotel Co., Limited—\$4 per share, sellers.
 Punjum Mining Co.—\$5.65 per share, sales and sellers.
 The Raub Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$4½ per share, sales and sellers.
 The Balmoral Gold Mining Co., Limited—10 cents, per share, sales and buyers.
 Socieéte Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin—\$70 per share, sales and buyers.
 The Ilebu Mining and Trading Co., Limited—\$4 sales and buyers.
 New Imari Mining Co., Limited—nominal.
 London and Pacific Petroleum Co., Ltd.—\$14.
 China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$150 per share, sellers.
 Lurun Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$32 per share.
 A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$11 sales and buyers.
 Dakin, Cruikshank & Co., Limited—\$1½ per share, sales and sellers.
 Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$4 per share, sellers.
 The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Limited—\$7 per share, sales and buyers.
 The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Limited—\$5 per share, buyers.
 The West Point Buildings Co., Limited—\$20 per share, sellers.
 H. G. Brown & Co., Limited—\$8 per share, sales and buyers.
 Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—\$18 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$65 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Gas Company—\$10 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong Ice Company—\$67 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$65 per share, sellers.
 The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Limited—\$1 per share, sales and buyers.
 The Green Island Cement Co.—\$5, sales and buyers.
 The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Limited—\$3 per share, sales and buyers.
 The Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Limited—\$5 per share, nominal.
 The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—\$65 per share, buyers.

EXCHANGE.

On LONDON—Bank, T. T.	2/4
Bank Bills, on demand	2/5
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	2/5½
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Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight	2/5½
On PARIS—	
Bank Bills, on demand	3.04
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On Demand	192½
On SHANGHAI—	
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Mr. J. Kinswood.	and two children.
Mr. J. Leadbetter.	Mr. F. E. Shaw.
Mr. J. H. Lovc.	Mr. H. A. S. Thompson.
Mr. R. Lyall.	Mr. L. Walker.
Mr. A. B. Macdonald.	

VISITORS AND RESIDENTS AT THE PEAK HOTEL.

Mr. Adamson.	Mr. Medhurst.
Mr. F. Deacon.	Capt. and Mrs. Moore.
Mr. F. East.	Mr. H. W. Robertson.
Mr. F. Frischling.	Mr. A. F. Steele.
Capt. and Mrs. Hunt.	Mr. A. F. Thudy-Smith.
Mr. F. Koed.	Mr. Sparrow.
Mr. W. H. R. Loycey.	Mr. E. Tomlin.
Mr. Maclean.	

MAILS EXPECTED.

The FRANCHE-MAIL.
 The Messageries Maritimes Co.'s steamer *Dawn*, with the outward French mail, left Singapore on the 25th instant, and may be expected here on the 1st proximate.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P. M. B. S. Co.'s steamer *City of Rio de Janeiro*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, via Yokohama, on the 16th instant.

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NORTHERN PACIFIC MAIL.

The Northern Pacific Steamship Co.'s steamer *Victoria* left Victoria on the 4th instant.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s steamer *Empress of India* left Vancouver on the 17th instant for Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki, Shanghai and Hongkong, and may be expected here about the 8th proximo.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The Indo-China S. N. Co.'s steamer *Kutusang*, from Calcutta and Straits, left Singapore on the 21st instant, and may be expected here on the 27th.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The "Ben" line steamer *Gulf of Taranto*, from New York, left Singapore on the 21st instant, and may be expected here on the 27th.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Ader* left Singapore on the 24th instant, and may be expected here on the 30th.

The Navigazione Generale Italiana steamer *Stura*, from Bombay, left Singapore on the 26th instant, and may be expected here on the 1st proximo.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

26th October, 1893.—At 4 p.m.

| STATION | Barometer | Wind | W. |
|---------------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Whidbeystock | 30.05 | 43 | ... NNE |
| Nagasaki | 30.06 | | SW |
| Amoy | 30.01 | 57 | NE |
| Annie | 30.03 | 78 | NE |
| Bawean | 30.01 | 80 | NE |
| Canton | 30.00 | 80 | NE |
| Victoria Park | 30.02 | 78 | SE |
| Gap Rock | 30.08 | 77 | SE |
| Holloway | 30.04 | 52 | NE |
| Holme | 30.02 | 81 | NE |
| Manila | 30.01 | 81 | SE |

27th October, 1893.—At 10 a.m.

STATION	Barometer	Wind	W.	W.	W.	W.	W.	W.	W.
Whidbeystock	30.00	39	73	... N					
Nagasaki	30.00	SW	SW	SW	SW	SW	SW	SW
Amoy	30.13	66	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE
Annie	30.11	78	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE
Bawean	30.01	80	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE
Canton	30.00	80	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE
Victoria Park	30.02	78	SE	SE	SE	SE	SE	SE	SE
Gap Rock	30.08	77	SE	SE	SE	SE	SE	SE	SE
Holloway	30.04	52	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE
Holme	30.02	81	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE
Manila	30.01	81	SE	SE	SE	SE	SE	SE	SE

JAPAN.

ARRIVALS.

ULYSSES, British steamer, 2,190, Lapage, 26th Oct.—Singapore 26th October, General.

HANCI, French steamer, 738 E. Montells, 26th Oct.—Haiphong 24th October, Rice, Pigs and General—A. R. Mary.

YACOV, British steamer, 1,104, F. H. Tillard, 27th Oct.—Shanghai 24th Oct., General.

FARON, French steamer, 1,504, F. H. Tillard, 27th Oct.—Shanghai 24th Oct., General.

PILOT FISH, British steamer, 161, A. Stapani, —Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.

SHANTUNG, British steamer, 1,535, H. C. D. Frampton, 24th Oct.—from Samrang, Sugar—Butterfield & Swire.

TAIWICK, German steamer, 902, N. Emke, 24th Oct.—Bangkok 17th Oct., Rice.

TEHRAN, British steamer, 1,683, F. Cole, 26th Oct.—San Francisco 30th Oct., and Yokohama 1st November, Mails and General.

PAPE, American steamer, 2,540, D. E. Fidle, 24th Oct.—San Francisco 30th Oct., and Yokohama 1st November, Mails and General.

PILOT FIELD, British ship, 1,023, B. J. Colcord, 6th S. pt.—Singapore 23rd August, Timber.

TOYO MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,548, T. Kasagi, 27th Oct.—Kuching 22nd Oct., Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaitoshi.

ELIZABETH ARTHUR, German bark, 397, T. Alm, 5th Oct.—Tientsin 21st Sept., Beans—Captain.

DIAMOND, British steamer, 1,030, F. L. Fille, 27th Oct.—Singapore 19th October, General—Bun Moh.

MACDUFF, British steamer, 1,882, E. Porter, 27th Oct.—Oscar 10th Oct., Coal—Dowell, Carrill & Co.

SAILING VESSELS.

ADOLPH, German bark, 67, Z. Westergaard, 21st Aug.—Hamburg 22nd April, General.

HASUTO German bark, 348, H. Eggers, 14th Oct.—Amoy 4th Oct., Sugar—Wieher & Co.